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Examiner: Johnson, Connie P.

Application No.: 10/591,718

Group Art Unit: 1795

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Docket: 1608-7 PCT/US/RCE II

For: POSITIVE-TYPE RESIST  
COMPOSITION FOR LIQUID  
IMMERSION LITHOGRAPHY  
AND METHOD FOR FORMING  
RESIST PATTERN

Dated: August 4, 2010

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**REQUEST FOR REFUND**

Sir:

The undersigned hereby requests a refund of \$180.00, which was erroneously charged to Deposit Account No. 08-2461 in connection with the above-identified application.

A Supplemental IDS was filed on January 28, 2010 and included references cited in a counterpart Japanese application. A copy of the transmittal of the IDS is attached hereto as Exhibit A. As set forth at page 2 of Exhibit A, pursuant to 37 CFR §1.198(c)(1), the IDS was based on references received from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application within three prior months. Therefore, no fee was required for consideration of the IDS.

Attached hereto as Exhibit B is a partial print-out taken from Applicants' Deposit Account. As noted, on April 26, 2010, a charge of \$180.00 was applied against this Deposit Account for Code 1806, which relates to the consideration of an IDS. As indicated above, this fee was not necessary.

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Favorable action is earnestly solicited. If there are any questions or if additional information is required, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Nichole E. Martiak", is written over a horizontal dotted line.

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## **EXHIBIT A**

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In fulfillment of the requirements of candor and good faith set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants submit herewith the following Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and §1.98. It is understood that the information provided herein is solely for the purpose of fulfilling Applicants' obligations under the law and should not be construed as, nor is it intended to be, an admission of prior art.

Attached hereto is Form PTO/SB/08a listing references which may be considered material in evaluating the patentability of the claims of the above-identified application. A copy of the foreign reference is enclosed herewith.

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The item of information contained on the attached PTO/SB/08a was first cited in communication (Office Action) from a foreign patent office in a counterpart Japanese patent (application number 2004-170424) not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

No fees are deemed due with regard to this Information Disclosure Statement. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-2461. Such authorization includes authorization to charge fees for extensions of time, if any, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 and also should be treated as a constructive petition for an extension of time in this reply or any future reply pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136.

If the Examiner has any questions or comments relating to the present application, he or she is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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## **EXHIBIT B**

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